

RESOLUTION OF ADOPTION Maricopa County Board of Supervisors

RESOLUTION ADOPTING THE MARICOPA COUNTY NEW RIVER AREA PLAN APRIL 7, 1999

BE IT RESOLVED by the Maricopa County Board of Supervisors as follows:

WHEREAS, the *New River Area Plan* is an implementation measure of *Eye to the Future 2020, the Maricopa County Comprehensive Plan* and Title 11, Section 806 of the Arizona Revised Statutes directs the Planning and Zoning Commission to prepare "a comprehensive plan of the area of jurisdiction of the county for the purpose of bringing about coordinated physical development in accordance with the present and future needs of the county. The comprehensive plan shall be developed so as to conserve the natural resources of the county, to ensure efficient expenditure of public funds, and to promote the health, safety, convenience, and general welfare of the public."; and

WHEREAS, this Board acknowledges the responsibility to exercise its power in establishing land use patterns and development requirements which mitigate adverse impacts to the environment, and ensure compatible land uses while enhancing individual freedom and opportunity, respecting private property rights, and facilitating competition and the operation of a free marketplace; and

WHEREAS, growth in accordance with sound planning can result in a stronger economy, more efficient use of infrastructure, compatible development patterns, decreased pollution, protection of natural resources, and an improved quality of life; and

WHEREAS, consideration of development issues requires a regional perspective to ensure coordinated development and preservation of the quality of life in the county; and

WHEREAS, this Area Plan will provide the Board of Supervisors and other decision makers in the county, both public and private, with proper long range guidelines to make decisions based on local policies; and

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WHEREAS, the General Plans of nearby cities and towns have been carefully considered as they relate to the developed New River area and associated unincorporated lands; and

WHEREAS, the citizens of New River, the development community, the New River Community Association and the Desert Hills Improvement Association have contributed to the planning process during open houses, focus group sessions and surveys; and

WHEREAS, members of the Board of Supervisors and the Planning and Zoning Commission have provided guidance and strategic direction in the preparation of this Area Plan; and

WHEREAS, the Area Plan is intended to be changed from time to time by the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission of Maricopa County, after careful study and a public hearing, has recommended the adoption of the New River Area Plan to the Board of Supervisors; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Supervisors has carefully considered the New River Area Plan and has held a public hearing, made changes to the Plan, and finds that said Plan constitutes a suitable, logical, and timely document to guide the future development of the New River area.

WHEREAS, the Planning and Zoning Commission has reviewed the changes recommended by the Board of Supervisors.

OW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the document consisting of the text, maps, and supporting materials entitled "New River Area Plan" and dated 1999 is hereby adopted in accordance with the *Eye to the Future 2020, the Maricopa County Comprehensive Plan*, on this 7th day of April, 1999; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the goals, objectives, and policies contained in the Land Use, Transportation, Environment, and Economic Development Elements and the recommended Agenda for Action be implemented as policy; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, this Area Plan may be amended from time to time to reflect changing community needs or desires, and to represent the best thinking of the Board of Supervisors and the Planning and Zoning Commission; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, the Planning and Zoning Commission shall conduct a major update of the Area Plan every two years; and

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RESOLVED FURTHER, the General Plans of the cities and towns of Maricopa County shall serve as a guideline for the physical development of unincorporated lands within specific General Plan areas insofar as such plans have been updated or reviewed within five years and have included the values, visions, and goals of the residents and property owners within said unincorporated lands; and

RESOLVED FURTHER, all matters affecting the rezoning or physical development of lands in the unincorporated county submitted to the Planning and Zoning Commission shall be in conformity to the goals, objectives, and policies of the Area Plan, the Comprehensive Plan, or an approved Development Master Plan. All submittals shall include a report indicating conformity to the plan.

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Chairman Date

Attest: Clerk of the Board Date

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